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NITRO UPDATE

TRENTON MAN SENTENCED FOR ROLE IN METH CONSPIRACY

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Trenton, Mo., man was sentenced in federal court today for his involvement in a methamphetamine conspiracy. The sentencing, Graves said, is the result of work completed by the NITRO Task Force.

Olin Dean Youngs, 38, of Trenton, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Nanette K. Laughrey this morning to four years and nine months in federal prison without parole for his role in a methamphetamine conspiracy.

On March 23, 2004, **Youngs** pleaded guilty to his role in a methamphetamine conspiracy. By pleading guilty, **Youngs** admitted that he conspired to manufacture 50 grams or more of methamphetamine between April 1, 2003, and June 19, 2003.

Three other co-defendants also have been sentenced for their role in the meth conspiracy.

Geary Peter Bordelon, 48, of Warrensburg, Mo., was sentenced to nine years in federal prison without parole. On Nov. 24, 2003, **Bordelon** pleaded guilty to conspiracy to manufacture 50 grams or more of methamphetamine between April 1, 2003, and June 19, 2003.

Mary Lynn Thomas, 37, of Trenton, was sentenced to 87 months in federal prison without parole. On Dec. 3, 2003, **Thomas** pleaded guilty to her role in the conspiracy and admitted that she also conspired to manufacture 50 grams or more of methamphetamine between April 1, 2003, and June 19, 2003.

Joyce D. Swigart, 53, of Warrensburg, was sentenced to two years and six months in federal prison without parole. On Nov. 5, 2003, **Swigart** pleaded guilty to her role in the conspiracy to manufacture methamphetamine.

Each of the defendants was originally charged in a sealed indictment returned by a federal grand jury on Sept. 17, 2003, in Kansas City. The federal indictment was unsealed and made public upon the defendants' arrest and first appearance in court on Sept. 24, 2003, in Kansas City.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Kate Mahoney. It was investigated by the Grundy County, Mo., Sheriff's Department, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the Trenton, Mo., Police Department and the NITRO Task Force. NITRO is the Northwest Missouri Interagency Team Response Operation, a joint law enforcement effort by the United States Attorney's Office and federal, state and local law enforcement agencies in the 16-county region.

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